ATTACHMENT B Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 3, lines 1-13 with the following amended paragraph:

An object of this invention is thus an electrical appliance for preparing hot beverages such as infusions and the like, comprising a first section fitted with electrical means for fluid heating and means for providing a power supply to the electrical heating means, and a second section comprising means for containing the heated fluid, where said first section and said second section are connectible to each other in a releasable manner, and said first section is essentially subdivided in an electrical circuit housing chamber and in a fluid heating chamber by a partition made of heat conducting material, on which said heating means are mounted. The first section also comprises a safety valve, which may advantageously be hidden under a mantle made of thermally insulating material, fitted with appropriate holes for discharging the eventual fluid under pressure exiting from the valve.

Please replace the paragraph at page 6, lines 9-13 with the following amended paragraph:

The container body 2 of the appliance has a conventional construction for coffee machines, being axially fitted with a <u>nozzle 1 nozzle 102</u> delivering the coffee infusion within the container 2 itself, a lid 302 and handling devices 202.